



Melinda "Jo" Bland

September 10, 2019

Melinda Joan "Jo" Bland, 67, of Alachua, Florida, passed away on September 3, 2019, after a long illness.

Jo was born in Kosciusko County, Indiana on June 19, 1952.

Jo was married to William "Larry" Bland on July 17, 1971; they were married for 48 years.

Jo was a dedicated wife and mother first and foremost. Her biggest treasures were her husband, children and grandchildren. She worked for many years as a homemaker and child caregiver. She later worked for Bear Archery and RTI Surgical until she retired. She enjoyed sewing, hunting, fishing and taking care of her family.

Jo is remembered with infinite love by her husband Larry, her son, Christopher Bland of Farmington, Maine, her daughter, Teresa McLaughlin of Fort White, Florida and her grandsons, Bill and Wyatt McLaughlin of Fort White, Florida.

Jo is preceded in death by her parents and three sisters.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to Haven Hospice of Gainesville, 4200 NW 90th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32606 or online at <https://be>

yourhaven.org/donate.

Family and friends are invited to attend the visitation from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. followed by a memorial and celebration of Jo's life at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at Evans Carter Funeral Home in High Springs, Florida.

Tribute Wall

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“ My wife and I spent one of the best Fourth of July nights with Larry and Jo. Can never forget! The many Fourths are filled with fireworks. Before that one it was always rememberancens of my parents being wed on a that day. Fromthis one in the Bland hone they live now as the way true relationships with friends should be. Larry and I worked together and he taught me a lot about life and how men should treat their loves!!

Dave Grubbs - January 01, 2025 at 11:31 PM

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“ I so enjoyed getting to know you while working together at Bear Archery and becoming friends. We had many great laughs together and I so respected and valued you. Rest in God's peace my treasured friend

Sandra Crabtree - April 04, 2020 at 05:40 PM